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## LABOR UNION

### Chicago Strikers Confer With Roosevelt.

### MUST OBEY THE LAW

### President Will Do Exact Justice Under the Law to Every Man.

### SUPPORTS MAYOR DUNNE

### Labor Leaders Given to Understand That if Mob Violence is Resorted to and Appeal for Troops Made President Roosevelt Will Send Them.

Chicago, May 10.—A committee of laboring men, appointed to call upon President Roosevelt and lodge with him a protest against the employment of federal troops during the present teamsters' strike, were granted an audience late this afternoon. The committee consisted of Cornelius P. Shea, president of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters; Charles Dodd, president of the Chicago Federation of Labor; T. P. Quinn, member of the Carriers' Union, and T. Rickert, president of the Garment Workers International Union.

Outside of the members of the committee and President Roosevelt and Secretary Loeb, no one was present during the conference. The account of what occurred in the room was given out by Secretary Loeb. After presenting the protest to the president, Shea acted as spokesman, and said:

"We have come to present to you a statement setting forth our position in this controversy between the Employers' Association and the teamsters' association. We have understood that they have asked your aid for bringing the troops into Chicago. We want to present our petition to you. It will take about ten minutes to read it. Perhaps we had better leave it with you."

The president read the petition and said:

"I have read the petition you have presented to be, the conclusion is that you request a hearing before any action be taken by the federal authorities relating to the Chicago situation. As yet no suggestion of any kind has come to me from any source that I should take any action. Of the merits of the case I am wholly ignorant. I have no knowledge of what the situation is or of what steps would be proper to be taken to end it. I feel, however, in view of one statement, or series of statements, in your letter, I ought to say this: I regret that you should in the letter have spoken at all of the use of federal troops, as you have there spoken. No request has been made me for action by the federal government, but at the same time, Mr. Shea, as you have in this communication to me brought up that fact, I want to say one thing with all emphasis in my power: In upholding law and order, in doing what he is able to do to suppress mob violence in any shape or way, Mayor Dunne of Chicago, has my hearty support. I am glad to be able to say this to you, gentlemen, before I say it to anybody else. Now let me repeat that I know nothing of the facts of the situation. I know nothing of the rights or wrongs of the points at issue. What I have to say is based purely upon what I regard as the unfortunate phrasing of the letter presented to the president of the United States. I have not been called upon to interfere in any way, but you must not misunderstand my attitude."

In every effort of Mayor Dunne to prevent violence by mob or individuals, to see that laws are obeyed and order preserved, he has the hearty support of the president of the United States and in my judgment he should have that of every good citizen of the United States. Now, gentlemen, it has been a great pleasure to see you, and

I am glad to have a chance to say this to you.

Mr. Quinn, who knew the president in his youth, said:

Mr. President, what prompted us to come to you with this statement is, there seems to be a continual howl for the federal army. I have known you long enough to know that you would not respond to a one-sided demand; that you would not respond until after you had thoroughly investigated the case. The president replied:

Mr. Quinn, as yet the mayor of Chicago has not made an appeal to the governor, and therefore the governor has made none to me, and as yet nothing in the situation has demanded action by me. President Shea undertook to explain the demands of the employers to the governor for troops. Also declared that every officer of the union had made every effort to prevent violence in the streets. The president replied to this saying:

Mr. Shea, I can only repeat what I have said. I am a believer in unions. I am an honorary member of one union. But unions must obey the law. Just as every man, rich or poor, must obey law. As yet no action has been called for by me, and most certainly if any action is called for by me I shall try to do exact justice under the law to every man, so far as I have the power. But the first essential is the preservation of law and order, suppression of violence by mobs or individuals.

This closed the interview. It is generally understood by both sides to the strike that there would be no disturbances while the president was in the city. Notwithstanding this agreement a number of outbreaks, one taking place on Michigan avenue, a shot time after the president passed along, in which a number of men were cut and shot.

## TERIFIC TORNADO

### Snyder, Oklahoma, is Wiped Off from the Map.

### TOWN TOTALLY DEMOLISHED

### Dead and Injured Estimated at Over 500—Rescue Train Dispatched Immediately Upon Receipt of the News of the Tornado.

Oklahoma, May 10.—Telephone reports from Hobart, O. T., indicate that the entire town of Snyder has been destroyed by a tornado and completely wiped off the map. A train carrying doctors, nurses and other assistance is said to have left Hobart for Snyder, but no details are known. It is rumored that 400 people have been killed and injured.

Late reports from Hobart, O. T., and Chickasa, I. T., confirm the earlier reports concerning the tornado at Snyder. The number of dead and injured is placed at 500. The storm broke over the town at 11 o'clock tonight, completely demolishing it as near as reports can be obtained. The first news of the disaster was received at Hobart by telephone giving the bald statement of the tornado having struck the town. Wires, both telegraph and telephone then went down and no further news has been obtained directly from Snyder.

It is now impossible to reach Lawton the nearest town to Snyder and all telegraphic communications are reported down between that place and Snyder. Rescue trains have been started for Hobart, which will arrive at Snyder this morning.

### NEUTRALITY TROUBLE.

### Demand That Great Britain Insist Upon French Neutrality.

Tokio, May 10.—The Nichinichi, discussing the French neutrality tomorrow will say:

Japan has a right to demand of Great Britain that she carry into practice the provisions of the Anglo-Japanese alliance. "French duplicity," Nichinichi will say, "affords occasion." Continuing it will declare that assistance has been given to Rojstevsky and is a clear breach of neutrality and a violation of the definite pledge given Japan. Japan is justified in assuming that France deliberately assisted Russia.

## IRQUOIS CLUB

### Chicago Honors President Roosevelt.

### MAGNIFICENT BANQUET

### Honored by His Political Foes But Personal Friends With Enthusiasm.

### HAND SHAKE WITH EVERYONE

### Banquet Was Given by the Democrats of Chicago and Nearly All the Speakers Were Prominent Democrats Who Have Admiration for President.

Chicago, May 10.—Honoring and honored by his political foes, but personal friends, President Roosevelt tonight was the chief guest of a magnificent banquet tendered him by the Irquois club, the leading democratic organization of Illinois. Surrounded by men who fought against him in the two national campaigns, who deprecate many of his avowed policies, and who frowned upon some of his political actions, the president tonight was cheered to the echo when he entered and left the banquet hall. He was applauded with enthusiasm throughout his address and at the close was given to understand that in his case political differences were not a political issue.

The banquet which was from the first to the last an ovation, was given entirely by the democrats to the leader of their political opponents and many kindly personal references were made by the speakers of the evening, the majority of whom were men of democratic faith, deeply touched the president. In his manner and words he evinced throughout the evening deep gratification at the warmth of his reception. Throughout the entire evening ran the dominant note of admiration for the character and friendship for the man himself.

The great banquet hall auditorium never held such a gathering nor more representative than assembled here tonight to honor President Roosevelt.

At the president's table were Mayor Dunne, Chas. F. Gunther, president of the Irquois club; James Hamilton Lewis, who acted as toastmaster; Samuel Alschuler, Judge Murray F. Tulley, Sheriff Thomas E. Barrett and other prominent democrats. Of the republicans there were at the same table Governor Deneen, Senator Hopkins, Judge C. C. Kohlhaas, Judge J. W. Landis and a dozen more.

Prior to the banquet itself, which was set for 7 o'clock, the president held an informal reception in the rooms of the art institute. He shook hands with everyone of 700 men present at the function immediately following the reception and had a pleasant word for all those who knew him personally or by reputation.

### SOUTHERN PACIFIC BONDS.

### New Issue to Be Made and Old Issue Taken Up.

San Francisco, May 10.—Holders of the Southern Pacific Company's 4 1/2 per cent gold bonds have been notified that it will redeem these bonds at par and accrued interest on June 1 next and that it has created an issue of \$30,000,000 of 4 per cent gold bonds, redeemable at par and interest on June 1, 1907, or any semi-annual interest day thereafter. The holders of the called bonds are offered the option of exchanging them for the new bonds on even terms, plus \$42.50 cash for each \$1000 face value of the bonds called for redemption, and with the June and December coupons attached.

### FRENCH NEUTRALITY.

### Conclusive Evidence of Flagrant Violation of Laws of Nations.

Tokio, May 10.—The Jiji hopes that France will cease her flagrant and de-

liberate branches of her pledges of neutrality, in reference to the treatment accorded the second Russian Pacific squadron in French waters, and satisfaction is expressed at British representations to the government in Paris, showing that England is alive to the danger menacing Japanese interests.

The Nippon says that French interests in Russia is more of a financial and economical character than political, and that the alliance between the countries has ceased to be of any practical benefit in Europe. It expresses the belief that France is upholding the alliance because her honor is pledged diplomatically.

### AMERICA VS. FRANCE.

### Rifle Practice Between the Experts of the Two Countries.

New York, May 10.—Revolver and rifle shooters are practicing for a match with French experts, to be held this month by cable.

The Americans will shoot at Greenville, N. J. Results from here will be cabled to Paris, and results from there will be cabled to this country. The American team will be composed mostly of members of the Manhattan Rifle and Revolver Club of this city. They are now being chosen by competition.

The conditions of the match call for 15 men to a team, each man to shoot 40 shots with the rifle at 200 yards on the French target and 40 shots at 50 yards on the standard American target with the revolver.

There are no restrictions on revolver, sights, ammunition or trigger pull, except that no set triggers are allowed on revolvers.

### Baseball Scores.

Tacoma, Portland 7, Tacoma 6. Seattle, San Francisco 1, Seattle 2. Oakland, Los Angeles 2, Oakland 0.

## HYPNOTIC RESULT

### Subject is Insane and Hypnotist Dying.

### RESULT OF OCCULT SEANCE

### Hypnotic Influence Over a Prominent Los Angeles Attorney by a Spiritualistic Medium and Slate Writer Results in His Becoming Insane.

Los Angeles, May 10.—The mental collapse of Attorney George D. Blake, regarded here as a man of exceptional talents, has led to a strange story of hypnotic influence. It is now believed by his friends that his madness was brought on by the machinations of Maud von Frietage, a spiritualistic medium and slate writer. Color is lent to this belief by the fact that the woman is now dying at 513 East Twelfth street of some disease of the brain under what appears to be a hypnotic spell, which she herself cannot throw off. In her struggle with death she repeatedly calls the name of George Blake. It is said that a few days before she fell ill she and Blake indulged together in a sort of "occultory" in the course of which she subjected the young lawyer to her full powers of hypnotism.

### BREWERS' STRIKE.

### Negotiations for a Settlement Have Been Agreed Upon.

Seattle, May 10.—Advices received by the brewery strikers' committee today, are to the effect that the brewery proprietors at Everett and Roslyn are about ready to sign the contracts demanded by the unions. Agents of the local executive board were dispatched to those points to negotiate a settlement of the strike.

### BELLINGER IMPROVING.

### Condition of Judge Bellinger More Favorable Yesterday.

Portland, May 10.—Judge Bellinger's general condition is much the same as yesterday. Temperature 101.3-5; pulse, 120. He has taken and retained a small amount of nourishment this morning, the first for several days. Tonight his temperature is 101, pulse 115.

## ONLY BETTING

### Gamblers Adopt Measures for Gamblers.

### NO SPECIAL PRIVILEGES

### Conference of Representatives of New York Racing Association.

### MEMBERSHIP COSTS \$5,000

### Any Gambler Who Can Establish His Financial Integrity Will Be Allowed to Open up His Books and Do Business at All the Horse Races.

New York, May 10.—Arbitrary methods of dealing with bettors, syndicate prices, and at attempt recently to dominate the betting right have resulted in the practical wiping out of special privileges heretofore enjoyed by the Metropolitan Turf Association, composed of bookmakers on the race tracks about New York.

At a conference attended by representatives of all the New York racing associations, it was decided there should be no further dealings with the men of the betting rings. Hereafter the grounds will be open to all, and any bookmaker who can establish his financial integrity and who desires to make a book on the races may do so.

For several years the Metropolitan men have controlled the entire space of the "big ring," and each week its members drew lots for positions. Non-members were not permitted to do business except on a line behind the "big ring," although many of them were perhaps more responsible financially than some members of the Metropolitan Association. Those in control of the racing plants have decided, however, in view of the loud complaint and recent friction, to make the "big ring" an open one to a certain extent and the Metropolitan members will have nothing to say in the future as to drawing lots for positions.

The Turf Association is a close corporation of 200 membership. Admission has always been by ballot and by the purchase of a retiring member's "button." Prices for these have ruled over \$5000 for a year or two, but when news of the action by the track authorities became known there was a quick drop to \$2500 at which figure one membership was sold.

### SOCIALISTS AND ANARCHISTS.

### Government Taking Precautionary Measures Against Admission.

New York, May 10.—The government is applying with the utmost rigor the so-called law of residence, which enables it to expel from the country all undesirable elements, cables the Herald's correspondent at Buenos Ayres, Argentina.

The measure is directed principally against socialist agitators, seven Spaniards already have been expelled with a few days.

A delegation of socialists, headed by Deputy Palacios, visited the police chief and requested permission for a contemplated demonstration. The police chief imposed the condition that no red flag be used. The socialists thereupon protested against this decision and the demonstration was postponed.

### NEGROES NOT LOAFERS.

### Africans Object to Being Slandered by the Teamsters' Union.

Chicago, May 10.—More than 1000 negroes have assembled at the Bethel African Methodist church and adopted resolutions read by Mrs. Ida Wells Barnett, protesting against the action of the department store drivers' union, which the resolution asserted a "slandering" letter against negro drivers, declaring them to be "loafers" and not willing to work.

"This charge was denounced as a wilful and malicious falsehood urged

against men who proved their value by risking their lives to obtain work. The resolutions also called upon the mayor to "save hard working citizens from that kind of protection which lets the rioter go free and sends the victim to the jails and hospitals."

### WILD WEST SHOW.

### Actors and Employees Strike for an Advance in Wages.

New York, May 10.—The Russian strike movement has spread to Paris, according to a Times special cable, a band of Cossacks employed in an American "wild west" show having struck for higher wages. They were turned by the management into the streets and were refused reinstatement.

The strike leaders are said to have threatened comrades who hesitated to join them, declaring that their homes would be burned and their families massacred after their return to Russia.

### SERIOUS CHARGES.

### Captain Bonser Accused of Removing Aids to Navigation.

Victoria, B. C., May 10.—Charges have been forwarded to Ottawa by Captain Johnston on the river steamer Mount Royal, through the Merchant Service guild of Victoria, alleging that Captain Bonser, a rival skipper of the Hazelton, deliberately and maliciously rammed his vessel on the Skeena river, and also at a past date performed a similar act on the Ramona in the Fraser river. Further charges have been laid that Captain Bonser endeavored to induce one of his crew to remove aids to navigation in order to precipitate disaster to a rival vessel.

## RAILROAD ACCIDENT

### Express Train Crashes Into a Freigh

### WAS LOADED WITH DYNAMITE

### Three Terrible Explosions Followed, Breaking Windows All Over the City and Reported That 50 Were Killed and 100 Wounded.

Harrisburg, Pa., May 10.—A passenger train on the Pennsylvania road ran into a freight train tonight loaded with dynamite at 1:10 o'clock this morning in south Harrisburg, near the plant of the Jaxtang Light & Heat & Power Company. Three terrific explosions that broke all the windows all over the city followed.

The two trains were completely wrecked and took fire. It is estimated at 3 o'clock that 50 persons were killed and 100 injured although these figures may be too small. It is impossible to ascertain the exact number of fatalities because the wreckage in which many passengers and some members of the train crew are pinned is still ablaze and unapproachable, and many small explosions occur continuously.

When the first explosion occurred bodies were thrown clear out of their berths in the sleeping cars, landing down the railroad embankment, some even having been hurled into the Susquehanna river which parallels the railroad.

All the physicians in the city procurable were summoned to work with the injured. A fire alarm was sounded and the firemen arrived to find themselves practically helpless in the work of rescue. A police patrol wagon was commissioned as an ambulance, and as many of the injured as possible were loaded into it.

### BRITT AND NELSON

### Sign Articles for a Fight Either in July or August.

San Francisco, May 10.—James Britt and Battling Nelson tonight agreed to a match of 20 rounds before the Western Athletic Club, to take place either in July or August. The men are to weigh 133 pounds at 6 o'clock p. m. on the day of the match. Each man posted \$2500, the club putting up a like sum. The referee will be agreed upon five days before the fight.